

To the Farmers.

I am now in this county for the purpose of organizing the farmers into the Farmers' Alliance. I wish the co-operation of all the farmers and all others who wish the agricultural interest of our country to prosper. The Farmers' Alliance is a grand order, and has for its aims and purposes the building-up of the country and not to damage any one who is doing an honorable and legitimate business. The organization of the Farmers' Alliance is against all combines, trusts, and oppressive speculation. Can any one engaged in other vocations deny us the right to combine in union our strength? The time has come when the farmers are compelled, in justice to themselves and families, to make an honorable effort to better their condition. All other occupations have their organizations, no one can blame them for it and why cannot the farmer, the great driving-wheel which all support come from, have his organization? All material wealth starts from the ground. Each and every person has to feed from the ground. We have now in this order over four millions of loving, united and harmonious farmers and men of toil, and with a membership still increasing faster than we can count them. It stands to day as an organization presenting higher claims to recognition, and makes a better show for benefiting the condition of our down-trodden and oppressed farming community than any other known to this generation, awakened, as we are to a realization of the fact that ours is a mighty and united struggle against poverty, rags, and bankruptcy. No one can wonder at the almost marvellous and perfect union and co-operation that now mark our onward progress. No ties that can bind a Christian church together in the bonds of love and holy communion are any stronger than the ties that cement together our brave, devoted, and gallant association. Our motto is, onward, onward, forever onward. We are growing in your own State. You have over 600 sub-alliances and 50 county alliances. I wish the farmers to meet me at my appointments and give me a hearing, as I have only a short time to remain in your county.

Respectfully,

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Farmers' Alliance Organizer for Augusta county.
